

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., Izaak Walton League of America  
General Membership Meeting – Tuesday, June 16, 2020

1. **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President, Tom Ciarula.
  - a) A quorum of regular members was present.
  - b) The Pledge of Allegiance and IWLA Pledge were conducted.
  - c) Chapter Officers and Board of Directors present were introduced:
    - i) President – Tom Ciarula
    - ii) Vice-President – Pamela Meara
    - iii) Treasurer – Bob Crisman
    - iv) Membership – Benn Crandall
    - v) Designated Director – Roger Thrasher
    - vi) Designated Director – Dick Riemer
    - vii) Designated Director – Bob Brino
    - viii) Designated Director – Joseph Turner
    - ix) Director-at-Large – Keith Kuck
    - x) Director-at-Large – Chris Rose
    - xi) Director-at-Large – Jim Smith
    - xii) Director-at-Large – Oscar Starz
    - xiii) Director-at-Large – Art Twichell
  - d) Others introduced:
    - i) Election Chair – Steve Landry
    - ii) Scholarship Chair – Dave Dobbins
    - iii) National Treasurer – Scott Meyer
2. **MEMBER TIME**
  - Call in information was previously provided to the membership through the latest Eblast in case members wished to remotely listen to the meeting. This was a one-time situation due to not being able to conduct General Membership meetings the last 4 months due to the chapter closing for the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. **PRESIDENT'S TIME**
  - Nothing brought before the membership.
4. **MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE**
  - Minutes from the February 2020 General Membership Meeting were available for all to review. The minutes were approved as submitted. No minutes were available for March, April, or May 2020 due to COVID-19.
5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
  - Mr. Crisman presented the Budget Report through the end of May 2020 to the Membership.
    - Income: \$355,304.91
    - Expenditures: \$242,338.07
    - Balance Remaining: \$112,916.84
6. **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**
  - Mr. Crandall provided an update on status of the Membership. As of the date of this meeting, 2,038 memberships were accounted for, and new membership rosters have been given to each of the Chapter's ranges.
  - Mr. Crandall moved that "the new members in attendance and the new members that could not attend be voted into the Chapter." The motion was adopted.
  - Next Gun show will July 24-26, 2020. If you are available and would like to assist, please visit SignUpGenius to volunteer.
  - Next New Member Orientation is scheduled for October 3, 2020 starting at 9 a.m. If you know of anyone who is interested in joining have them go to the chapter website for information.

## 7. *SPECIAL COMMITTEES*

- Scholarship Committee
  - Dr. Dobbins provided an overview of our Chapter scholarship program, its objectives, and history.
  - Introduction of 2020 awardee: Christina Pelliccio of West Potomac High School. Presentation of certificate documenting her achievements. Ms. Pelliccio thanked the membership and stated her commitment to support our mutual goals.
  
- Election / Nomination Committee
  - Mr. Landry, the Nominations and Election Committee Chair, gave a summary of the Chapter election process and announced the following:
    - Election will be held the 1st and 2nd weekends in July (4-5 & 11-12)
    - Polling volunteers are still needed. Check SignUpGenius if you would like to volunteer.
  - Mr. Landry solicited any additional nominations from the members present. One member stepped forward to announce they would like to run for Director-at-Large position. He then made a motion to close nominations and finalize the official ballot with the individuals listed above. The motion did not require a second and was approved by the membership.
  - Positions up for election in 2020 and the Nominees approved by the committee:
    - Vice - President – Pamela Meara
    - Treasurer – Bob Crisman
    - Conservation – John Seaberg
    - Education & Training – Bucky Sills
    - Target Archery - Robert D’Imperio
    - Three Directors-at-large (Five Nominees for Three Open Positions)
      - Keith Kuck
      - Oscar Starz
      - Marv Hicks
      - Dave Burke
      - Art Twichell
      - Bill Clayton
  
- Bylaws Committee
  - Ms. Pamela Meara reviewed the Proposed Chapter bylaw amendment. Ratify vote. The proposed bylaw was approved by the BOD at the December 2019 BOD meeting and was included in the February/March/April 2020 chapter newsletter.
  - Purpose & Rationale: To update and clarify existing Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., IWLA bylaws. These will be voted on by the membership at the February 2020 general membership meeting. (Approved by the board of directors at their December 3, 2019, meeting.) Revisions are denoted by Strikethrough, Italic and Bold Italic.
  - Ms. Meara moved that the proposed bylaws be approved as written. Motion properly seconded by Mr. Crandall and approved by the membership.
  - The revised bylaws will be incorporated in the chapter bylaws/range rules booklet and printed. They will also be included in the chapter website.
  
- Awards & Grants
  - Ms. Meara informed the membership that Dan Roberts and Mark Budgeon received the Judge Tobin awards for 2019.
  
- Annual Chapter Picnic Committee
  - Picnic will be in September starting this year going forward.
  
- Shotgun Range
  - Everyone is following the temporary range rules and things have been going smoothly at the Shotgun range.
  
- Field Archery
  - Mr. Riemer informed the membership on an upcoming Archery 101 course that will be scheduled in September
  
- Air Range
  - Mr. Thrasher provided information on Air Range open hours on Monday and Friday evenings along with discussing how things are progressing with the reopening of the range.

- Membership Recruitment/Retention
  - Mr. Smith informed the membership that approximately 360 former members that did not renew for the 2018-2019 year were contacted, and that 37 former members are renewing due to being contacted.

8. ***OLD BUSINESS***

- Nothing to report.

9. ***NEW BUSINESS***

- Nothing to report.

10. ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

- Mr. Ciarula informed the membership about upcoming events and important dates at the Chapter.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM

Signed: Pam Meara, VP for  
Sean Gagnon, Secretary